

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. An identifier indicating the status of each claim is provided.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A receiving system composed of a receiving device, a monitor device for displaying an output of said receiving device, and an external recording device to be controlled by said receiving device, said receiving device comprising:
 - on-screen display control means for displaying a screen corresponding to various setting states and arranging items on said screen;
 - external device control means for setting an operation of said external recording device; **and**
 - control means for, when a recording input is given,
 - determining whether or not a program being received is copy protected,
 - setting said external recording device to a recording state if said program is initially found not copy protected, and
 - disabling control of said external recording device if said program is found copy protected before recording said received program onto said external recording device;
 - whereby said external recording device is prevented from recording received copy protected programs, **and**
 - determining means for determining if said program is recordable based on
Entitlement Control Message (ECM) data and Entitlement Management Message (EMM) data.

2. (Previously Presented) The receiving system according to claim 1,
wherein,

if said program is found copy protected when said recording input is given, a
warning indicative of copy protection is displayed on said screen.

3. (Previously Presented) The receiving system according to claim 1,
wherein,

when said recording input is given, an on-screen display is provided for stopping
recording.

4. (Previously Presented) The receiving system according to claim 3,
wherein,

when said recording input is given, a button for stopping recording is put in a
selected state on said screen.

5. (Previously Presented) The receiving system according to claim 1,
wherein

said external device control means controls said external recording device by
using an AV mouse.

6. (Previously Presented) The receiving system according to claim 1,
wherein

said external device control means controls said external recording device by
 using an IEEE 1394 interface.

7. (Currently Amended) A receiving apparatus comprising:
 on-screen display control means for displaying a screen corresponding to various
 setting states and arranging items on said screen;
 external device control means for setting an operation of an external recording
 device; and
 control means for, when a recording input is given,
 determining whether or not a program being received is copy protected,
 setting said external recording device to a recording state if said program
 is initially found not copy protected, and
 disabling control of said external recording device if said program is found
 copy protected before recording said received program onto said external recording
 device;
 whereby said external recording device is prevented from recording received copy
 protected programs; and

determining means for determining if said program is recordable based on
 Entitlement Control Message (ECM) data and Entitlement Management Message (EMM) data.

8. (Previously Presented) The receiving apparatus according to claim 7,
 wherein,

if said program is found copy protected when said recording input is given, a warning indicative of copy protection is displayed on said screen.

9. (Previously Presented) The receiving apparatus according to claim 7, wherein,

when said recording input is given, an on-screen display is provided for stopping recording.

10. (Previously Presented) The receiving apparatus according to claim 9, wherein,

when said recording input is given, a button for stopping recording is put in a selected state on said screen.

11. (Previously Presented) The receiving apparatus according to claim 7, wherein

said external device control means controls said external recording device by using an AV mouse.

12. (Previously Presented) The receiving apparatus according to claim 7, wherein

said external device control means controls said external recording device by using an IEEE 1394 interface.

13. (Currently Amended) A control method for controlling a receiving system composed of a receiving device, a monitor device for displaying an output of said receiving device, and an external recording device to be controlled by said receiving device, wherein said method comprises the steps of:

setting said external recording device to a recording state, when a recording input is given, whether or not a program being received is copy protected, if said program is found not copy protected, and

disabling control of said external recording device if said program is found copy protected before recording said received program onto said external recording device;

whereby said external recording device is prevented from recording received copy protected programs; and

determining if said program is recordable based on Entitlement Control Message (ECM) data and Entitlement Management Message (EMM) data.

14. (Previously Presented) The control method for controlling a receiving system according to claim 13,

wherein, if said program is found copy protected when said recording input is given, a warning indicative of copy protection is displayed on said monitor device.

15. (Previously Presented) The control method for controlling a receiving system according to claim 13, wherein, when said recording input is given, an on-screen display is provided for stopping recording.

16. (Original) The control method for controlling a receiving system according to claim 15,
wherein, when said recording input is given, a button for stopping recording is put in a selected state on said on-screen display.

17. (Previously Presented) The control method for controlling a receiving system according to claim 13, wherein
said external recording device is controlled by using an AV mouse.

18. (Previously Presented) The control method for controlling a receiving system according to claim 13, wherein
said external recording device is controlled by using an IEEE 1394 interface.